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16	UNITED STATE	S DISTRICT COURT	
17	CENTRAL DISTR	RICT OF CALIFORNIA	
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19 20	RUSSELL JUMPER, an individual, on behalf of himself, all others similarly situated, and the general public,	Case No. 8:22-cv-01764-WLH-DFM	
21	Plaintiff,	ORDER ON STIDULATED PROTECTIVE ORDER	
22	V.	STIPULATED PROTECTIVE ORDER	
23	SBGA INC., a Delaware corporation, ROBERT T. PARISI, an individual, JASON MOORE, and DOES 1	Complaint Filed: September 26, 2022 Trial Date: March 26, 2024 District	
24	JASON MOORE, and DOES 1 through 10,	Judge: Hon. Wesley L. Hsu Magistrate Judge:Hon. Douglas F. McCormick	
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A. <u>PURPOSES AND LIMITATIONS</u>

Discovery in this action is likely to involve production of confidential, 2 3 proprietary, or private information for which special protection from public disclosure 4 and from use for any purpose other than prosecuting this litigation may be warranted. 5 Accordingly, the parties hereby stipulate to and petition the Court to enter the 6 following Stipulated Protective Order. The parties acknowledge that this Order does 7 not confer blanket protections on all disclosures or responses to discovery and that the 8 protection it affords from public disclosure and use extends only to the limited 9 information or items that are entitled to confidential treatment under the applicable legal principles. The parties further acknowledge, as set forth in Section 12.3, below, 10 that this Stipulated Protective Order does not entitle them to file confidential 11 information under seal; Civil Local Rule 79-5 sets forth the procedures that must be 12 followed and the standards that will be applied when a party seeks permission from 13 the court to file material under seal. 14

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B. <u>GOOD CAUSE STATEMENT</u>

This action is likely to involve trade secrets, customer and pricing lists and other 16 17 valuable research, development, commercial, financial, technical and/or proprietary information for which special protection from public disclosure and from use for any 18 purpose other than prosecution of this action is warranted. Such confidential and 19 20proprietary materials and information consist of, among other things, confidential business or financial information, information regarding confidential business 21 22 practices, or other confidential research, development, or commercial information (including information implicating privacy rights of third parties), information 23 24 otherwise generally unavailable to the public, or which may be privileged or otherwise protected from disclosure under state or federal statutes, court rules, case decisions, or 25 common law. Accordingly, to expedite the flow of information, to facilitate the 26 prompt resolution of disputes over confidentiality of discovery materials, to 27 28 adequately protect information the parties are entitled to keep confidential, to ensure

that the parties are permitted reasonable necessary uses of such material in preparation for and in the conduct of trial, to address their handling at the end of the litigation, and serve the ends of justice, a protective order for such information is justified in this matter. It is the intent of the parties that information will not be designated as confidential for tactical reasons and that nothing be so designated without a good faith belief that it has been maintained in a confidential, non-public manner, and there is good cause why it should not be part of the public record of this case.

8 1. <u>DEFINITIONS</u>

9 1.1 <u>Action</u>: Russell Jumper v. SBGA Inc., et al., Case No. 8:22-cv-0176410 WLH-DFM.

11 1.2 <u>Challenging Party</u>: a Party or Non-Party that challenges the designation
 12 of information or items under this Order.

1.3 <u>"CONFIDENTIAL" Information or Items</u>: information (regardless of
 how it is generated, stored or maintained) or tangible things that qualify for
 protection under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(c), and as specified above in the
 Good Cause Statement.

17 1.4 <u>Counsel</u>: Outside Counsel of Record and House Counsel (as well as
18 their support staff).

19 1.5 <u>Designating Party</u>: a Party or Non-Party that designates information or
 20 items that it produces in disclosures or in responses to discovery as
 21 "CONFIDENTIAL."

1.6 <u>Disclosure of Discovery Material</u>: all items or information, regardless
of the medium or manner in which it is generated, stored, or maintained (including,
among other things, testimony, transcripts, and tangible things), that are produced or
generated in disclosures or responses to discovery in this matter.

1.7 <u>Expert</u>: a person with specialized knowledge or experience in a matter
pertinent to the litigation who has been retained by a Party or its counsel to serve as
an expert witness or as a consultant in this Action.

1.8 <u>House Counsel</u>: attorneys who are employees of a party to this Action.
 2 House Counsel does not include Outside Counsel of Record or any other outside
 3 counsel.

4 1.9 <u>Non-Party</u>: any natural person, partnership, corporation, association, or
5 other legal entity not named as a Party to this action.

1.10 <u>Outside Counsel of Record</u>: attorneys who are not employees of a party
to this Action but are retained to represent or advise a party to this Action and have
appeared in this Action on behalf of that party or are affiliated with a law firm which
has appeared on behalf of that party, and includes support staff.

10 1.11 <u>Party</u>: any party to this Action, including all of its officers, directors,
11 employees, consultants, retained experts, and Outside Counsel of Record (and their
12 support staffs).

13 1.12 <u>Producing Party</u>: a Party or Non-Party that produces Disclosure of
14 Discovery Material in this Action.

15 1.13 <u>Professional Vendors</u>: persons or entities that provide litigation support
16 services (e.g., photocopying, videotaping, translating, preparing exhibits or
17 demonstrations, and organizing, storing, or retrieving data in any form or medium)
18 and their employees and subcontractors.

19 1.14 <u>Protected Material</u>: any Disclosure of Discovery Material that is
 20 designated as "CONFIDENTIAL."

1.15 <u>Receiving Party</u>: a Party that receives Disclosure of Discovery Material
from a Producing Party.

23 2. <u>SCOPE</u>

The protections conferred by this Stipulation and Order cover not only Protected Material (as defined above), but also (1) any information copied or extracted from Protected Material; (2) all copies, excerpts, summaries, or compilations of Protected Material; and (3) any testimony, conversations, or presentations by Parties or their Counsel that might reveal Protected Material.

Any use of Protected Material at trial shall be governed by the orders of the trial 1 judge. This Order does not govern the use of Protected Material at trial. 2

3 3. DURATION

Even after final disposition of this litigation, the confidentiality obligations 4 imposed by this Order shall remain in effect until a Designating Party agrees otherwise 5 in writing or a court order otherwise directs. Final disposition shall be deemed to be 6 the later of (1) dismissal of all claims and defenses in this Action, with or without 7 prejudice; and (2) final judgment herein after the completion and exhaustion of all 8 appeals, rehearings, remands, trials, or reviews of this Action, including the time limits 9 for filing any motions or applications for extension of time pursuant to applicable law. 10 4.

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DESIGNATING PROTECTED MATERIAL

12 4.1 Exercise of Restraint and Care in Designating Material for Protection. Each Party or Non-Party that designates information or items for protection under 13 this Order must take care to limit any such designation to specific material that 14 qualifies under the appropriate standards. The Designating Party must designate for 15 protection only those parts of material, documents, items, or oral or written 16 17 communications that qualify so that other portions of the material, documents, items, or communications for which protection is not warranted are not swept unjustifiably 18 within the ambit of this Order. 19

20 Mass, indiscriminate, or routinized designations are prohibited. Designations that are shown to be clearly unjustified or that have been made for an improper purpose 21 22 (e.g., to unnecessarily encumber the case development process or to impose unnecessary expenses and burdens on other parties) may expose the Designating Party 23 to sanctions. 24

25 If it comes to a Designating Party's attention that information or items that it designated for protection do not qualify for protection, that Designating Party must 26 promptly notify all other Parties that it is withdrawing the inapplicable designation. 27

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4.2 Manner and Timing of Designations. Except as otherwise provided in

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this Order (see, e.g., second paragraph of section 5.2(a) below), or as otherwise
 stipulated or ordered, Disclosure of Discovery Material that qualifies for protection
 under this Order must be clearly so designated before the material is disclosed or
 produced.

Designation in conformity with this Order requires:

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(a) for information in documentary form (e.g., paper or electronic
documents, but excluding transcripts of depositions or other pretrial or trial
proceedings), that the Producing Party affix at a minimum, the legend
"CONFIDENTIAL" (hereinafter "CONFIDENTIAL legend"), to each page that
contains protected material. If only a portion or portions of the material on a page
qualifies for protection, the Producing Party also must clearly identify the protected
portion(s) (e.g., by making appropriate markings in the margins).

A Party or Non-Party that makes original documents available for inspection 13 need not designate them for protection until after the inspecting Party has indicated 14 15 which documents it would like copied and produced. During the inspection and before the designation, all of the material made available for inspection shall be deemed 16 "CONFIDENTIAL." After the inspecting Party has identified the documents it wants 17 copied and produced, the Producing Party must determine which documents, or 18 portions thereof, qualify for protection under this Order. Then, before producing the 19 specified documents, the Producing Party must affix the "CONFIDENTIAL legend" 20to each page that contains Protected Material. If only a portion or portions of the 21 22 material on a page qualifies for protection, the Producing Party also must clearly identify the protected portion(s) (e.g., by making appropriate markings in the margins). 23

(b) for testimony given in depositions that the Designating Party
identify the Disclosure of Discovery Material on the record, before the close of the
deposition all protected testimony.

27 (c) for information produced in some form other than documentary
28 and for any other tangible items, that the Producing Party affix in a prominent place

on the exterior of the container or containers in which the information is stored the
 legend "CONFIDENTIAL." If only a portion or portions of the information
 warrants protection, the Producing Party, to the extent practicable, shall identify the
 protected portion(s).

4.3 <u>Inadvertent Failures to Designate</u>. If timely corrected, an inadvertent
failure to designate qualified information or items does not, standing alone, waive
the Designating Party's right to secure protection under this Order for such material.
Upon timely correction of a designation, the Receiving Party must make reasonable
efforts to assure that the material is treated in accordance with the provisions of this
Order.

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CHALLENGING CONFIDENTIALITY DESIGNATIONS

12 5.1 <u>Timing of Challenges</u>. Any Party or Non-Party may challenge a
13 designation of confidentiality at any time that is consistent with the Court's
14 Scheduling Order.

15 5.2 <u>Meet and Confer</u>. The Challenging Party shall initiate the dispute
16 resolution process under Local Rule 37.1 et seq.

17 5.3 The burden of persuasion in any such challenge proceeding shall be on the Designating Party. Frivolous challenges, and those made for an improper 18 19 purpose (e.g., to harass or impose unnecessary expenses and burdens on other 20 parties) may expose the Challenging Party to sanctions. Unless the Designating Party has waived or withdrawn the confidentiality designation, all parties shall 21 22 continue to afford the material in question the level of protection to which it is entitled under the Producing Party's designation until the Court rules on the 23 24 challenge.

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ACCESS TO AND USE OF PROTECTED MATERIAL

6.1 <u>Basic Principles</u>. A Receiving Party may use Protected Material that is
disclosed or produced by another Party or by a Non-Party in connection with this
Action only for prosecuting, defending, or attempting to settle this Action. Such

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Protected Material may be disclosed only to the categories of persons and under the
 conditions described in this Order. When the Action has been terminated, a
 Receiving Party must comply with the provisions of section 13 below (FINAL
 DISPOSITION).

Protected Material must be stored and maintained by a Receiving Party at a
location and in a secure manner that ensures that access is limited to the persons
authorized under this Order.

8 6.2 <u>Disclosure of "CONFIDENTIAL" Information or Items</u>. Unless
9 otherwise ordered by the court or permitted in writing by the Designating Party, a
10 Receiving Party may disclose any information or item designated
11 "CONFIDENTIAL" only to:

(a) the Receiving Party's Outside Counsel of Record in this Action,
as well as employees of said Outside Counsel of Record to whom it is reasonably
necessary to disclose the information for this Action;

(b) the officers, directors, and employees (including House Counsel)
of the Receiving Party to whom disclosure is reasonably necessary for this Action;

17 (c) Experts (as defined in this Order) of the Receiving Party to whom
18 disclosure is reasonably necessary for this Action and who have signed the
19 "Acknowledgment and Agreement to Be Bound" (Exhibit A);

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- (d) the court and its personnel;
- (e) court reporters and their staff;

(f) professional jury or trial consultants, mock jurors, and
Professional Vendors to whom disclosure is reasonably necessary for this Action and
who have signed the "Acknowledgment and Agreement to Be Bound" (Exhibit A);

(g) the author or recipient of a document containing the information
or a custodian or other person who otherwise possessed or knew the information;

(h) during their depositions, witnesses, and attorneys for witnesses, in
the Action to whom disclosure is reasonably necessary provided: (1) the deposing

party requests that the witness sign the form attached as Exhibit 1 hereto; and (2) 1 they will not be permitted to keep any confidential information unless they sign the 2 "Acknowledgment and Agreement to Be Bound" (Exhibit A), unless otherwise 3 agreed by the Designating Party or ordered by the court. Pages of transcribed 4 deposition testimony or exhibits to depositions that reveal Protected Material may be 5 6 separately bound by the court reporter and may not be disclosed to anyone except as permitted under this Stipulated Protective Order; and 7 8 any mediator or settlement officer, and their supporting (i)

9 personnel, mutually agreed upon by any of the parties engaged in settlement
10 discussions.

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PROTECTED MATERIAL SUBPOENAED OR ORDERED PRODUCED IN OTHER LITIGATION

If a Party is served with a subpoena or a court order issued in other litigation
that compels disclosure of any information or items designated in this Action as
"CONFIDENTIAL," that Party must:

16 (a) promptly notify in writing the Designating Party. Such
17 notification shall include a copy of the subpoena or court order;

(b) promptly notify in writing the party who caused the subpoena or
order to issue in the other litigation that some or all of the material covered by the
subpoena or order is subject to this Protective Order. Such notification shall include
a copy of this Stipulated Protective Order; and

(c) cooperate with respect to all reasonable procedures sought to be
pursued by the Designating Party whose Protected Material may be affected.

If the Designating Party timely seeks a protective order, the Party served with the subpoena or court order shall not produce any information designated in this action as "CONFIDENTIAL" before a determination by the court from which the subpoena or order issued, unless the Party has obtained the Designating Party's permission. The Designating Party shall bear the burden and expense of seeking protection in that court of its confidential material and nothing in these provisions should be construed as
 authorizing or encouraging a Receiving Party in this Action to disobey a lawful
 directive from another court.

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8. <u>A NON-PARTY'S PROTECTED MATERIAL SOUGHT TO BE</u> <u>PRODUCED IN THIS LITIGATION</u>

(a) The terms of this Order are applicable to information produced by
a Non-Party in this Action and designated as "CONFIDENTIAL." Such information
produced by Non-Parties in connection with this litigation is protected by the
remedies and relief provided by this Order. Nothing in these provisions should be
construed as prohibiting a Non-Party from seeking additional protections.

(b) In the event that a Party is required, by a valid discovery request,
to produce a Non-Party's confidential information in its possession, and the Party is
subject to an agreement with the Non-Party not to produce the Non-Party's
confidential information, then the Party shall:

(1) promptly notify in writing the Requesting Party and the
Non-Party that some or all of the information requested is subject to a confidentiality
agreement with a Non-Party;

(2) promptly provide the Non-Party with a copy of the
Stipulated Protective Order in this Action, the relevant discovery request(s), and a
reasonably specific description of the information requested; and

21 (3) make the information requested available for inspection by
22 the Non-Party, if requested.

(c) If the Non-Party fails to seek a protective order from this court
within 14 days of receiving the notice and accompanying information, the Receiving
Party may produce the Non-Party's confidential information responsive to the
discovery request. If the Non-Party timely seeks a protective order, the Receiving
Party shall not produce any information in its possession or control that is subject to
the confidentiality agreement with the Non-Party before a determination by the

court. Absent a court order to the contrary, the Non-Party shall bear the burden and
 expense of seeking protection in this court of its Protected Material.

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UNAUTHORIZED DISCLOSURE OF PROTECTED MATERIAL

4 If a Receiving Party learns that, by inadvertence or otherwise, it has disclosed 5 Protected Material to any person or in any circumstance not authorized under this 6 Stipulated Protective Order, the Receiving Party must immediately (a) notify in 7 writing the Designating Party of the unauthorized disclosures, (b) use its best efforts 8 to retrieve all unauthorized copies of the Protected Material, (c) inform the person or 9 persons to whom unauthorized disclosures were made of all the terms of this Order, and (d) request such person or persons to execute the "Acknowledgment and 10 Agreement to Be Bound" that is attached hereto as Exhibit A. 11

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10. <u>INADVERTENT PRODUCTION OF PRIVILEGED OR OTHERWISE</u> <u>PROTECTED MATERIAL</u>

When a Producing Party gives notice to Receiving Parties that certain 14 15 inadvertently produced material is subject to a claim of privilege or other protection, the obligations of the Receiving Parties are those set forth in Federal Rule of Civil 16 17 Procedure 26(b)(5)(B). This provision is not intended to modify whatever procedure may be established in an e-discovery order that provides for production without prior 18 privilege review. Pursuant to Federal Rule of Evidence 502(d) and (e), insofar as the 19 20 parties reach an agreement on the effect of disclosure of a communication or information covered by the attorney-client privilege or work product protection, the 21 22 parties may incorporate their agreement in the stipulated protective order submitted to the court. 23

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11. <u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>

25 11.1 <u>Right to Further Relief</u>. Nothing in this Order abridges the right of any
26 person to seek its modification by the Court in the future.

27 11.2 <u>Right to Assert Other Objections</u>. By stipulating to the entry of this
28 Protective Order no Party waives any right it otherwise would have to object to

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10 STIPULATED PROTECTIVE ORDER disclosing or producing any information or item on any ground not addressed in this
 Stipulated Protective Order. Similarly, no Party waives any right to object on any
 ground to use in evidence of any of the material covered by this Protective Order.

11.3 <u>Filing Protected Material</u>. A Party that seeks to file under seal any
Protected Material must comply with Civil Local Rule 79-5. Protected Material may
only be filed under seal pursuant to a court order authorizing the sealing of the
specific Protected Material at issue. If a Party's request to file Protected Material
under seal is denied by the court, then the Receiving Party may file the information
in the public record unless otherwise instructed by the court.

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12. FINAL DISPOSITION

11 After the final disposition of this Action, as defined in paragraph 4, within 60 days of a written request by the Designating Party, each Receiving Party must return 12 13 all Protected Material to the Producing Party or destroy such material. As used in this subdivision, "all Protected Material" includes all copies, abstracts, compilations, 14 15 summaries, and any other format reproducing or capturing any of the Protected Material. Whether the Protected Material is returned or destroyed, the Receiving Party 16 17 must submit a written certification to the Producing Party (and, if not the same person or entity, to the Designating Party) by the 60 day deadline that (1) identifies (by 18 19 category, where appropriate) all the Protected Material that was returned or destroyed 20 and (2) affirms that the Receiving Party has not retained any copies, abstracts, compilations, summaries or any other format reproducing or capturing any of the 21 22 Protected Material. Notwithstanding this provision, Counsel are entitled to retain an 23 archival copy of all pleadings, motion papers, trial, deposition, and hearing transcripts, 24 legal memoranda, correspondence, deposition and trial exhibits, expert reports, attorney work product, and consultant and expert work product, even if such materials 25 contain Protected Material. Any such archival copies that contain or constitute 26 Protected Material remain subject to this Protective Order as set forth in Section 4 27 (DURATION). 28

1	14. Any violation of this Order may be punished by any and all appropriate
2	measures including, without limitation, contempt proceedings and/or monetary
3	sanctions.
4	IT IS SO STIPULATED, THROUGH COUNSEL OF RECORD.
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6	DATED: May 20, 2023 THE CULLEN LAW FIRM, APC
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8	By: <u>/s/ Paul T. Cullen</u> Paul T. Cullen
9	Attorneys for Plaintiff
10	Russell Jumper
11 12	DATED, Mar 22, 2022 OCLETREE DEAKING MACH SMOAK &
12	DATED: May 22, 2023 OGLETREE, DEAKINS, NASH, SMOAK & STEWART, P.C.
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15	By: <u>/s/ Alexander M. Chemers</u> Alexander M. Chemers
16	Daniel N. Rojas
17	Attorneys for Defendant SBGA INC.
18	FILER'S ATTESTATION:
19	Pursuant to Civil Local Rule $5-1(h)(3)$ regarding signatures, Alexander M.
20	Chemers hereby attests that concurrence in the filing of this document and its content
21	has been obtained by all signatories listed.
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23	FOR GOOD CAUSE SHOWN, IT IS SO ORDERED.
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25	DATED: May 23, 2023
26	V DD
27	Hon. Douglas F. McCormick
28	Hon. Douglas F. McCormick United States Magistrate Judge
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1	EXHIBIT A		
2	ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND AGREEMENT TO BE BOUND		
3	I, [print or type full name], of		
4	[print or type full address], declare under penalty		
5	of perjury that I have read in its entirety and understand the Stipulated Protective Order		
6	that was issued by the United States District Court for the Central District of California		
7	in the case of Russell Jumper v. SBGA Inc., et al., Case No. 8:22-cv-01764-WLH-		
8	DFM. I agree to comply with and to be bound by all the terms of this Stipulated		
9	Protective Order and I understand and acknowledge that failure to so comply could		
10	expose me to sanctions and punishment in the nature of contempt. I solemnly promise		
11	that I will not disclose in any manner any information or item that is subject to this		
12	Stipulated Protective Order to any person or entity except in strict compliance with the		
13	provisions of this Order.		
14	I further agree to submit to the jurisdiction of the United States District Court		
15	for the Central District of California for the purpose of enforcing the terms of this		
16	Stipulated Protective Order, even if such enforcement proceedings occur after		
17	termination of this action. I hereby appoint [print		
	or type full name] of [print or type full address		
19	and telephone number] as my California agent for service of process in connection		
20	with this action or any proceedings related to enforcement of this Stipulated Protective		
21	Order.		
22	Date:		
23	City and State where sworn and signed:		
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25	Printed name:		
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27	Signature:		
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